

21.2 SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)

The following section covers the replacement of destroyed food which was purchased with SNAP benefits. When the AG is eligible to receive a replacement allotment, the allotment must be received as follows:

- Within ten (10) days after the client reports, or
- Within two (2) working days after the client returns the DFA-SNAP-36, whichever is later.

A. SNAP BENEFIT REPLACEMENT

1. Destroyed Food

a. Replacement Procedures

In cases when food purchased with SNAP benefits is destroyed in a household misfortune or disaster, the AG will be eligible for replacement of the actual value of the loss, not to exceed 1 month's allotment if:

- The loss is reported within 10 days of the incident; and
- The AG's misfortune or disaster is verified; and
- The DFA-SNAP-36 is completed and signed within 10 days of the report of the loss.

A misfortune or disaster such as, but not limited to, fire or the loss of power may affect an individual household. The power outage must exceed 4 hours. A natural disaster may affect either an individual household or more than 1 household.

During a mass power outage, verification of the outage is self-attested.

EXAMPLE: The loss of power due to the termination of service to an individual household is considered a household misfortune.

The Worker replaces the value of the food using the appropriate RAPIDS procedure. The replacement benefit must be received within 2 days of the receipt of the completed and signed DFA-SNAP-36. The original DFA-SNAP-36 is retained in the case record. It is not necessary to send a copy to the DFA Economic Services Policy Unit.